

Amendments

Fig. 7 of the drawings is amended to include reference numbers 106 and 100 to identify elements of the figure previously shown without reference numbers. No new matter is added.

Claims 33 and 43 are amended to clarify that the support rail is at least partially interposed between the pair of vertical rack members.

Drawing Objections

The drawings are objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a) as not showing every feature of the invention specified in the claims. Specifically, the Office Action asserts that the element "the second telescoping rail cannot extend beyond the pair of vertical rack member" of claims 35 and 46 must be shown or the features cancelled from the claims. Applicants respectfully traverse the objections.

Applicants respectfully submit that the second telescoping rail is clearly shown in Figs. 7 and 9 as being incapable of extending beyond the pair of vertical rack members as recited in claims 35 and 46. In Fig. 7, second telescoping rail 106 is shown mounted to the left support rail 46. The first telescoping rail 100 is shown mounted to the second telescoping rail 106. Telescoping rail 106 is clearly blocked from extending past the front mounting flange 134, corresponding to one of the pair of vertical rack members recited in claims 35 and 46. Although the telescoping rail 106 is not shown in Fig. 6, the right support rail 50 is shown indented behind the rear mounting flange 110 in a similar configuration as the front mounting flange 134, forming a support rail recess interposed between the rear mounting flange 110 and the (not visible) front mounting flange 134. Thus, the telescoping rail 106, when mounted to the right support rail 50, is blocked from extending beyond the rear mounting flange 110. Another view of this configuration is shown in Fig. 9, where the telescoping rail assemblies 106 are blocked from extending beyond the flanges 110 and 112. Thus, the drawings clearly show the telescoping rails 106 as being incapable of extending beyond the pair of vertical rack members. For these reasons, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the objections.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 35 and 46 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph as containing new matter. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejections.

The Office Action asserts that "there is no disclosure in the original specification describing that the telescoping rail cannot extend beyond the rack (16) and/or beyond the vertical rack member (110)."¹ As shown above, Figs. 7 and 9 (and by implication, Fig. 6) of the original disclosure clearly show telescoping rail 106 cannot extend beyond the vertical rack member 110. The telescoping rails 106 are mounted to the support rails 46 and 50, and telescoping rails 100 are mounted to telescoping rails 106, as shown in Figs. 7 and 9. For these reasons, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejections.

¹ Paper 26, p. 4.